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SUBJECT: CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT ASSAD TO PRESIDENT
CARTER

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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT ASSAD TO
PRESIDENT CARTER ON THE OCCASION OF JULY 4:

ON THE OCCASION OF THE TWO HUNDRED AND FIRST ANNIVERSARY
OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, I HAVE
GREAT PLEASURE TO EXTEND TO YOUR EXCELLENCY AND TO THE
AMERICAN PEOPLE MY SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS AND WARM
GREETINGS.

I ALSO EXPRESS MY HOPE THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO
COUNTRIES WILL CONTINUE TO GROW AND DEVELOP, GUIDED BY THE
CONSTRUCTIVE AND POSITIVE SPIRIT THAT CHARACTERIZED OUR
MEETING IN GENEVA, TO THE BENEFIT OF THE MUTUAL INTERESTS
OF OUR TWO PEOPLES AND IN THE INTEREST OF THE CAUSE OF JUST
PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

WITH MY BEST WISHES FRO YOUR GOOD HEALTH AND HAPPINESS
AND THE CONTINUED PROSPERITY AND SUCCESS OF YOUR PEOPLE .
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SINCERELY, HAFEZ AL-ASSAD

2. FULL TEXT OF MESSAGE WAS CARRIED ON FRONT PAGE OF
DAILY AL#-BAATH OF JULY 4.

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LOU- COMMENT

1. IN TONE AND SUBSTANCE THIS IS WARMEST CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE FROM ASSAD WHICH WE CAN RECALL. ITS PROMINENT PUBLICATION IN LOCAL MEDIA IS FURTHER SIGNAL THAT SYRIA DESIRES CLOSE AND FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES, AND THAT IT CONTINUES TO BE COMMITTED TO SEEKING PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF MIDDLE-EAST CONFLICT.

2. RECOMMEND AN APPROPRIATE REPLY FROM PRESIDENT CARTER TO THIS UNUSUALLY WARM MESSAGE.

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